AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- (currently amended) An inner panel comprising:
 an opening to which a loudspeaker unit is attached;
- a volume unit in which the loudspeaker unit is housed from the opening to form a closed space; and

a groove passing through to the volume unit,

wherein a Helmholtz resonance is generated by the groove and the volume.

- 2. (original) The inner panel according to claim 1, wherein the groove is covered with a lid such that an end portion of the groove is open.
- 3. (original) The inner panel according to claim 2, wherein a fixing unit for fixing a wire harness of the loudspeaker unit is attached to the lid.
- 4. (currently amended) A loudspeaker apparatus in which a loudspeaker unit is attached to an inner panel, wherein

the inner panel comprises:

an opening to which the loudspeaker unit is attached;

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a volume unit in which the loudspeaker unit is housed from the opening to form a closed space; and

a groove passing through to the volume unit,

the loudspeaker unit is housed in the volume unit, and

a rear space of the loudspeaker unit in the volume unit is used as an acoustic volume unit of the loudspeaker unit,

wherein a Helmholtz resonance is generated by an acoustic mass constituted by an inner space of the groove and a volume held by the acoustic volume unit.

- 5. (original) The loudspeaker apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the groove is covered with a lid such that an end portion of the groove is open.
- 6. (currently amended) The loudspeaker apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the lid is comprised of a frame portion of the loudspeaker unit puts a lid such that the end portion is open.

7-8. (cancelled).

9. (original) The loudspeaker apparatus according to claim 5, wherein a fixing unit for fixing a wire harness of the loudspeaker unit is attached to the lid.

10. (original) The loudspeaker apparatus according to claim 6, wherein a fixing unit for fixing a wire harness of the loudspeaker unit is attached to the lid.

11-12. (cancelled).